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**TOWN OF BLOOMFIELD, N. J.**

**ANNUAL MESSAGE**

**January 1, 1959**

**DONALD H. SCOTT, MAYOR**

**INTRODUCTION**

"The industrial climate in Bloomfield has been ideal and we recommend the community for interested industries."<sup>1</sup> These are words spoken by a representative of one of Bloomfield's industries in announcing that his Company is moving from its leased Bloomfield plant to get larger quarters, due to expansion.

The Air-Conditioning Division of The General Electric Company, in announcing their decision to discontinue the line of products manufactured in the Bloomfield plant for business reasons, and while continuing to look for another General Electric component to occupy their plant, have this to say:

"We regret the necessity of shutting down this facility in view of our long and pleasant associations in Bloomfield. We believe that our plant should be attractive to other businesses because of the favorable factors involved, such as its location, its supply of workers of all skills, its transportation facilities, and its nearness to metropolitan markets."

1. The Champlain Company.

And from another firm,<sup>2</sup> whose contemplated move in late summer 1959 is due to consolidation, we quote the following:

"Needless to say, it is with extreme regret that we leave Bloomfield. During the past decade we have always received excellent cooperation and assistance from the officials of this city. We have enjoyed our participation in many of the community activities where it has been our pleasure to serve.

"We are very confident that another manufacturing firm will be only too happy to take over this plant when we vacate it since it affords a very desirable location, an excellent labor area, ample office and manufacturing facilities, and above average community relations."

2. Prince Matchabelli.

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The coincidence of recent announcements by a few of our industries concerning moving from Bloomfield is unfortunate in that it may appear to reflect upon the desirability of our community as a good location for industry. However, it is just that—coincidence. The coincidence is unfortunate. Each of these industries has its own reasons which do not reflect adversely upon our community and quotations used heretofore in this message strengthen this contention.

It is regrettable that these industrial citizens find it necessary to move, for they have been good neighbors. It is even more regrettable that there are employees involved who have enjoyed long periods of service with their respective companies. Fortunately, employee lay-offs are not involved in at least one of these moves.

In two cases, the moving industries have occupied leased buildings and are moving to owned plants. In all cases, the plant facilities are good and the buildings have been well maintained. They are desirable buildings in a desirable location and I feel confident that they will not remain vacant for a long time.

Within our jurisdiction, Bloomfield's official family is prepared to cooperate in any reasonable manner toward keeping these buildings occupied and employing citizens of Bloomfield and the surrounding area.

Because of the large number of industries in Bloomfield and because they are well-diversified, temporary loss of those involved in moving is not critical. Because our plants draw employees from the entire surrounding area, where there is a consequent lay-off involved in these moves, only a relatively small percentage involve Bloomfield citizens. We, nonetheless, regret that business reasons dictate their moves.

"It is cynicism and fear that freeze life: it is faith that thaws it out, releases it, sets it free." \*

I have confidence in our community. There is substantial evidence that our community provides a desirable industrial climate. Employees are drawn from a large area and, therefore, there is available a good supply of skilled workers. With these and other advantages, I feel that new companies will be attracted to those buildings to be vacated. Bloomfield plants have not remained vacant in the past when industries have moved; I see no reason why our experience should be different at this time.

\* Harry Emerson Fosdick.

I think it would be well to note here some of the brighter aspects of our industrial picture:

—One of our larger industries is presently building an extension to its plant.

—Another has recently enlarged its office building to almost double its size.

—A large pharmaceutical corporation has been expanding its head office and laboratory facilities here and a subsidiary has recently acquired the large Bakelite factory.

—Construction has started on a large office building to house a Company new to Bloomfield.

—Reports indicate a much improved employment picture in many of our industries.

## BUILDING

In 1958 our Building Department issued permits for new construction, additions and alterations to existing structures totaling over \$2,400,000.00, in submitted costs. On a volume basis, this is approximately 80% of the building activity which occurred in the previous year of 1957. There was a net gain in dwelling units of 103 as compared with 107 for 1957 and 81 new one-family homes this past year as compared with 86 single residences in 1957.

In addition to the above residential activity, permits were issued to cover the new construction of three commercial buildings, two industrial buildings, two office buildings and one substation. Within recent weeks, ground was broken on the property at Bloomfield Avenue and Marginal Road South to accommodate a modern office building which will be occupied by the Burroughs Corporation. This will be a most worthwhile enterprise and asset to the community. We are happy to welcome these new commercial citizens into our community.

Early consideration should be given to bringing our Building Code up to date to accommodate the latest developments in the construction industry and in fire safety engineering.

## PUBLIC WORKS

During the year, the following housing developments, which were started in 1957, were completed: De Paul Homes, Woodcrest Manor, Daka Homes and Crown Homes. There



were 150 new residences added as a result of the completion and acceptance of these areas. Under our subdivision regulations, each developer was required to construct adequate streets, sanitary sewers and storm sewers; to install curbing and sidewalks; to plant shade trees; all at his own expense. At Town expense, it was necessary to extend water mains to provide domestic water service and fire protection to these new homes. The Signal Alarm System also had to be extended to provide contact with Police and Fire headquarters in the event of emergencies within the new developments.

In 1958, street lighting has not only been extended into the new areas but street illumination has been improved in older parts of the Town by replacing low candlepower lights with more modern fixtures and higher intensity lamps. The Town is presently awaiting recommendations and estimates of cost from the Public Service Company prior to initiating a program to further improve illumination of our thoroughfares.

Under the 1958 Municipal Aid Program, various streets throughout the Town were rehabilitated, either by repairing the surface with the placement of plant-mix bituminous material or by sealing the roadway surface with an application of asphaltic oil and stone aggregate. This extensive program was done under contract at a cost of \$29,712.00.

Improvements that were initiated in 1957, but not finally completed until the early part of 1958, were: Municipal Plaza Extension; storm sewerage in Philip Street, Johnson Avenue and Clubb Street; East Passaic Avenue sidewalks, and the Race Street metered parking lot for 80 cars.

On August 1, 1958, the Town acquired the property at Washington and Farrand Streets for an off-street parking facility. Recently, improvements have been completed and the lot, as laid out, will accommodate 106 cars. With this fifth off-street parking facility, there are now available to the public, a total of 340 metered parking spaces within easy walking distance of the Center. The area to the rear of the new Community Services Building (Civic Center) was recently made available for additional off-street parking on a temporary basis. Increased sales of small cars has prompted us to re-study the lay-out of our off-street parking areas. This study has indicated that we may be able to increase the capacity of these areas by as much as 10%.

As a safety measure for school children, sidewalks were constructed along Bellevue Terrace and Bellevue Avenue,

Sylvan Road, Broughton Avenue and Watchung Avenue. Property owners cooperated splendidly, the improvements went ahead rapidly and, in general, were in place by the time the schools opened in September.

Presently the County of Essex has three construction projects underway in Bloomfield:

- (1) A new Baldwin Street bridge over the Third River.
- (2) A new storm sewer and appurtenances on Broughton Avenue from Bay Avenue to Barbara Street and extending an existing storm sewer on Broughton Avenue from Hobson Street to 250 feet north of Scott Road.
- (3) A pedestrian span over the Third River on Broughton Avenue to connect with newly constructed walks.

This new pedestrian span and the completed sidewalks in the area will provide safe walking for school children and eliminates the necessity of a school bus which had been provided, for safety reasons. There is thereby effected a saving in school transportation costs.

New projects receiving the serious attention of our engineering department, involve the improvement of drainage conditions in Toney's Brook, Second River, the Bellevue Avenue-Broad Street area, the Ampere section and the Linden Avenue area. The reconstruction of Hoover Avenue from Broad Street to the Canal Highway is being planned with State-Aid funds. A water waste survey of our distribution system is contemplated as a conservation measure. The installation of large water mains and their interconnection with existing mains on Arlington Avenue, Broughton Avenue and Spring Street is considered necessary to provide adequate fire flows and pressure conditions in the system.

## PLANNING AND ZONING

In 1958 the Planning Board held ten regular meetings during which they approved nineteen minor subdivisions. In addition, they considered three ordinances that were referred to them by Town Council for their recommendations.

Much of the Planning Board's time was devoted to study, review, public hearings and evaluation of the proposed Zoning Ordinance which relates to land use in the Town of Bloomfield. In this connection, the final report of the Community Planning Associates, Inc. of Trenton, was published in full in The Independent Press and received



Town-wide distribution through the Shopper's Guide section of that newspaper.

After proper notice, three public hearings were conducted by the Planning Board. The public's comments were recorded and a transcript of these meetings was forwarded to the Town Council.

The transcripts of all hearings, as well as all expressions of the public in the form of correspondence, were forwarded to our consultant for study and recommendation. Subsequently, their recommendations, the records of the public hearings and individual pieces of correspondence were carefully evaluated by the Board at a series of four executive sessions.

The Planning Board is now prepared to recommend to the Town Council, in amended form, a new Zoning Ordinance which will outline boundaries of the various zones and regulate land use in Bloomfield. This report is expected to be in the hands of the Town Council this month.

During 1958, the Board of Adjustment (Zoning) received, heard and disposed of 14 appeals from the decisions of the Building Inspector. These 14 cases required a similar number of meetings and inasmuch as half the cases heard were contested, the Board was confronted with the introduction and assimilation of considerable testimony.

Through the prompt answering of letters and telephone inquiries and by revising the form of the legal advertisement, all interested citizens were furnished with complete information concerning the status of the applications and their rights before the Board.

The Board has also sought to establish a stronger liason with the Planning Board, by keeping the latter Board informed of the status of pending applications. In this way, each Board was better able to discharge its municipal obligation.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

The Police and Fire Departments continued to render efficient service to the community. Both Departments, for most of the year, were at personnel strength comparable to that of former years.

We note, with regret, the death of Fire Chief Gussner on March 20, 1958, after more than 40 years of service to the Town of Bloomfield. This necessitated subsequent promotions within the Department and the appointment of two

new firemen on July 1, 1958. Deputy Chief Bailey was appointed Fire Chief and two company officers were advanced to the rank of Deputy Chief to bring the complement of superior officers to full roster.

During 1958, the Fire Department answered 461 alarms compared with 613 for 1957. This is a sizeable decrease, representing approximately 25% fewer alarms. The largest fire for the year brought a loss amounting to an estimated \$16,000. Regular fire inspections have been made throughout the year by Fire Department personnel covering all schools, nursing homes, apartments, churches, public buildings and all places of assemblage.

In order to relieve police officers for other police duties, Town Council authorized an increase in the complement of the School Traffic Guards from 20 to 24 personnel. This unit is operating in a most satisfactory manner and contributing good service to the community. They have received commendations on several occasions for their appearance and performance.

Throughout the year, the organization and functioning of the Police Department has been studied from its many aspects. Duty assignments, special assignments and personnel changes have been made so that personnel might be conserved and the fullest service might be rendered the community with the manpower available.

Study of new methods, ideas and techniques in Police administration will continue, with a view toward providing the most efficient protection of life and property.

During the year, our Police personnel were assisted in their emergency ambulance calls through the cooperation of the Essex County Rescue Squad. This group of young men report for duty each night between the hours of 6 P. M. and 6 A. M. and relieve our night force of the responsibility for handling ambulance runs during those hours. This group has materially aided in further conserving our regular police manpower and their services have been gratefully received by those citizens needing them.

### **CIVIL DEFENSE**

Our Civil Defense organization continued to maintain interest in the many aspects and phases of civil defense and disaster control. Apathy on the part of the general public appears to be the most serious hurdle besetting the program, not only in Bloomfield but throughout the Nation.



As was the case in 1957, the local organization was unable to find volunteers for the development of an effective warden service and the first-aid medical teams were inactive during the year, for the same reason.

As yet, survival information has not been learned by individual families in sufficient degree to avert great loss of life and personal injury in the event of an attack or disaster. It is estimated that not more than 15 to 20% of our citizens know the meaning of the two different signals which will be sounded in case of emergency and a considerably smaller percentage have selected and equipped suitable shelters in their homes so they could survive if forced to remain under cover for a week or ten days.

The outstanding success for the year, was the organization of a Junior Rescue Squad. This group, consisting of 23 boys in the sixteen year age bracket, has been thoroughly trained and, with supervision, is now able to man our rescue truck and do an outstanding job whenever and wherever needed.

The communications group has done a good job, too, during the year, having been most active in training and attending drill sessions. With the equipment provided, the group is prepared to establish good communications between our various units.

As in former years, the Auxiliary Police and Firemen performed regular duty tours in the two Town Departments. They are well trained, capable units of the overall organization and in supplementing our regular uniformed forces render a worthwhile service to the community.

During the coming year, it is planned to exert every effort to organize an effective warden service and reactivate the first-aid medical teams. Additional trained manpower are needed in the Auxiliary Police and Fire groups, the Communications group and the Rescue Squad for regular tours of duty and for emergencies.

I, again, urge our citizens to enlist in some phase of Civil Defense work.

### HEALTH AND WELFARE

Under a cooperative program, the Bloomfield Board of Health continued to offer Asian Influenza vaccine to Fire, Police, Municipal and Board of Education personnel as a preventative measure against any severe epidemic. The cooperative Poliomyelitic immunization of Fire and Police

Department personnel has also been available to those desiring it and willing to pay the cost of the vaccine.

Last spring, for the first time, an anti-rabies animal inoculation program was initiated. By utilizing each Fire station as a receiving point, it was possible to provide a convenient and readily accessible location for animal owners desirous of participating in the program. It is estimated that about 25% of the licensed dog population was inoculated. Reviewing the excellent results achieved in this initial endeavor, it is planned to offer the program annually.

At the beginning of 1958, the prediction for the months ahead was far from encouraging for the Division of Welfare. It was indicated that there would be an increased demand for general assistance because of unemployment due to the economic recession. However, most of the locally unemployed were covered by unemployment benefits or had accumulated sufficient personal resources so they were able to maintain their households without assistance.

For the first eight months of 1958, expenditures for assistance were lower than for the same period of 1957. However, during the latter part of the year, there was an increase in general assistance principally in the areas of medical care and hospitalization. Comparing Bloomfield's experience with that of several of our larger neighboring communities, our increased costs for general assistance have been slight.

### FINANCE

The Town continued to manage its financial affairs within the limits imposed by State statutes and in accordance with sound fiscal policy. The Financial Advisory Board continued its invaluable service to the Town Council by offering recommendations and general guidance. On the Board's recommendation, the Town changed the investment of surplus funds from U. S. Treasury bills to Time Deposits yielding a fixed percentage of 2½%. This change was made because Treasury bills had decreased in yield from a prior high in excess of 3% to less than 1%. Continual surveillance is kept to determine which investments available to us will provide the most lucrative medium for keeping our surplus funds active.

During 1958, appropriations authorized for school purposes totalled \$350,000 and for municipal purposes \$57,406. As with previous authorizations, this indebtedness will have to be permanently funded within the next several years as



such time as the bond market is favorable and within the time specified by law.

Tax collections continued high during 1958 with a collection rate of 97.69%.

Recently our Tax Assessor received an order from the Essex County Board of Taxation to re-assess all properties within the municipality. From this order it appears that we will have to seriously consider a revaluation program.

The Town Council has been reluctant to undertake such a costly program until such time as new State legislation was passed to clarify assessment procedures and matters related to assessments. It would appear that such legislation may be passed early in 1959.

## SCHOOLS

Curriculum development in the Bloomfield Public Schools has continued during the past year in accordance with present day conditions, being conscious of the changing times in an unpredictable era. The school professional staff and participating laymen have studied the Bloomfield program and have made changes which they decided were necessary. In-service education programs have placed greater emphasis on science in the elementary school, mathematics in the secondary school and guidance in the elementary school.

Bloomfield Senior High School has continued to add new and improved courses and practices during the school year. Special emphasis has been placed on mathematics, science and programs to meet individual differences.

The entire college preparatory program, grades 7 through 12, has been modified in line with the recommendation of the commission on Mathematics of the College Entrance Examination Board.

Student interest in science is noted from the fact that there has been a 30% increase in physics enrollment.

So that the special needs of all pupils can be met, work is being done with students with low academic achievement. Much work has been done in selecting material for use with these students.

Junior High School education in Bloomfield is recognized as among the best in the State. Our teachers and administrators are in demand to teach university courses, act

as advisers to other districts and be consultants at professional workshops.

Construction of the North Junior High School is progressing satisfactorily and we are assured that the building will be ready for use as scheduled in September 1959 unless unforeseen contingencies arise.

The key staff members for the North Junior High School have been assigned and are now planning for the operation of the new school. School curriculum will be similar to that presently in use at the Junior High School and both schools will use the same course of study.

The elementary school physical plant was improved with the opening of the new Forest Glen School in September. This has relieved overcrowding in Fairview School.

The program of science in the elementary schools has been strengthened with the addition of an elementary school science helping teacher who works with the teaching staff in each school.

Ten of the eleven elementary schools in Bloomfield now have libraries in operation. The eleventh school is waiting for completion of book shelving. During the past two years, over 7,000 books have been added to the total school library program principally from school funds but also through donations from Home and School and PTA groups. These libraries are manned by volunteer school mothers who are guided by a supervising librarian provided by the school system. This is another area where volunteer citizens are making a substantial contribution to the betterment of our schools.

This school year marked the beginning of the second year of operation of the Schools' Safety Program. Each school has within its organization, a Health and Safety Committee which functions in matters related to safety and accident prevention. The committees investigate accidents to effect corrective measures and prevent recurrences of similar accidents. Building inspections are made in all areas of the school and are reported quarterly.

In June 1958, the Board of Education received an appropriation totalling \$350,000 to proceed with additional school rehabilitation in accordance with their projected capital improvement program. This phase of the rehabilitation work involves new roofs and masonry reconstruction at Berkeley School and Watsessing School; a fire escape at the Senior High School, renovation of toilet room facilities



at Center School, Berkeley School and the School Administration Building, and extensive renovation of toilet room facilities at Carteret, Watsessing, Fairview, Brookdale, Franklin and Brookside schools.

### RECREATION

The Board of Recreation Commissioners continued to provide a broad recreational program and improved their facilities for the enjoyment and participation of citizens of all ages.

The opening of the new Forest Glen School in September provided an additional location for indoor activities while the Melrose Tract will provide an additional outdoor recreational area.

The new Civic Center was formally dedicated after the traditional Memorial Day exercises on "The Green" on May 30, 1958, and initially occupied by the staff of the Recreation Commission on June 3, 1958. This building is the headquarters for the Board of Recreation Commissioners and it is operated in accordance with policies and regulations adopted by them, subject to the approval of the Town Council.

Since its occupancy, the building has been adequately furnished with furniture, equipment and appurtenances for the proper use of teen-age recreational areas, lounges, large meeting rooms, conference rooms and offices. The kitchen facilities have been augmented so that it is possible to accommodate large groups for luncheon or dinner meetings.

Statistics for the fall months indicate that building usage is heavy and will continue to increase. During one recent month, there were 126 group meetings held with an aggregate attendance of 2,968 and in the same period there were more than 6,400 teen-age participants in recreational activities available to them in their area.

The new building and its many features should contribute much to the development of our citizenry of all ages and benefit the more than seventy organizations it will serve.

### CONCLUSION

I am most grateful to my colleagues on the Council for their continued cooperation toward the goal of providing good government for the citizens of Bloomfield.

On behalf of the Town Council, I extend sincere thanks to our staff, all department and division heads and all employees, for their conscientious devotion to their assigned tasks.

For the Town Council and on behalf of all of our citizens, may I express grateful appreciation to the many citizens who voluntarily serve on our various Boards, Committees and Commissions. They contribute much time, talent and energy for the benefit of their fellow citizens. Thanks, too, to the newspaper representatives who endeavor to help keep our citizens enlightened concerning the operation of their municipal government.

It is my prayer that our President's message of Peace and Goodwill, as beamed back to earth from the Atlas missile orbiting in space around the earth, shall become a lasting reality.

May I wish for all a new year full of happiness and contentment.

DONALD H. SCOTT, Mayor

Town of Bloomfield, N. J.

January 1, 1959



**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET  
CURRENT ACCOUNT**

ASSETS	Ref.	Balance Dec. 31, 1958	Balance Dec. 31, 1957
Cash .....	A-4	\$ 1,317,167.31	\$ 1,218,321.19
Cash—Change Funds .....	A-7	600.00	600.00
Cash—Petty Cash Funds .....	A-8	100.00	100.00
Investments—Savings and Loan Associations .....	A-5	30,000.00	30,000.00
Investments—U. S. Treasury Bonds and Bills .....	A-6	415,000.00	514,198.00
State Road Aid Allotments Receivable .....	A-9	59,171.18	72,301.95
		<u>1,822,038.49</u>	<u>1,835,521.14</u>
16 Receivables with Full Reserves:			
Delinquent Taxes Receivable .....	A-10	654,335.69	631,108.16
Tax Title Liens Receivable .....	A-11	22,060.87	22,198.76
Foreclosed Property .....	A-12	53,100.00	62,600.00
Revenue Accounts Receivable .....	A-13	11,530.28	9,190.04
		<u>741,026.84</u>	<u>725,096.96</u>
Deferred Charges:			
Overexpenditure 1957 Appropriations .....	A-3		162.00
Overexpenditure 1956 Appropriation Reserves .....	A-3		160.72
Emergency Authorization .....	A-3	1,750.00	
		<u>1,750.00</u>	<u>322.72</u>
		<u>\$ 2,564,815.33</u>	<u>\$ 2,560,940.82</u>

**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET  
CURRENT ACCOUNT (Continued)**

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS	Ref.	Balance Dec. 31, 1958	Balance Dec. 31, 1957
Liabilities:			
Appropriation Reserves .....	A-3	\$ 216,711.27	\$ 221,370.88
Road Appropriation Reserves State Aid Projects .....	A-15	71,001.30	71,448.03
Accounts Payable .....	A-16	30,575.09	21,933.25
Contracts Payable .....		1,471.40	1,471.40
Cash Liabilities for Prepaid Taxes .....	A-4	11,649.31	2,291.75
Cash Liabilities for Prepaid Licenses .....	A-4	1,959.00	1,722.00
Tax Overpayments .....	A-17	9,394.83	9,259.73
Unallocated Receipts .....	A-18	21.93	371.41
Insurance Claims .....		103.93	103.93
Allocated Funds Fire Maintenance Building .....		824.00	824.00
Due State of New Jersey Hotel Licenses .....	A-4	60.00	
		<u>343,772.06</u>	<u>330,796.38</u>
		741,026.84	725,096.96
		<u>1,480,016.43</u>	<u>1,505,047.48</u>
Reserve for Receivables .....	A-1	2,221,043.27	2,230,144.44
Surplus Revenue .....		<u>\$ 2,564,815.33</u>	<u>\$ 2,560,940.82</u>



# **COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET TRUST ACCOUNT**

ASSETS			Balance Dec. 31, 1958	Balance Dec. 31, 1957
Assessment Account	Ref.			
Cash .....				
Assessments Receivable .....	B-5		\$ 82,013.98	\$ 102,947.60
Assessment Liens .....	B-6		68,251.25	126,243.00
Assessment Liens Interest and Costs .....	B-7		2,837.76	2,837.76
Amount to be Raised by Taxation .....			1,278.48	1,278.48
Amount to be Raised by Taxation Cancelled by Court Order .....	B-6		83,905.94	83,905.94
			42,510.86	
			280,798.27	317,212.78
Dog License Account				
Cash .....	B		3,801.79	4,183.91
			3,801.79	4,183.91
Other Funds Account				
Special Trust Fund .....	B		2,160.37	1,400.00
			2,160.37	1,400.00
			\$ 286,760.43	\$ 322,796.69

## **COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET TRUST ACCOUNT (Continued)**

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS			Balance Dec. 31, 1958	Balance Dec. 31, 1957
Assessment Account				
Assessment Serial Bonds .....	B-11		\$ 234,000.00	\$ 264,000.00
Bond Anticipation Notes .....	B-10		16,016.15	22,470.66
Assessment Overpayments .....	B-8		40.00	
Reserve for Assessments and Liens .....	B-9		12,754.96	15,809.95
Reserve for Assessment Lien Interest and Costs .....			1,278.48	1,278.48
Trust Surplus .....	B-1		16,708.68	13,653.69
			280,798.27	317,212.78
Dog License Fund Account				
Reserve for Dog Fund Expenditures .....	B-13		3,801.79	4,183.91
			3,801.79	4,183.91
Other Funds Account				
Reserve for Special Trust Fund .....			800.00	800.00
Premium Received at Tax Sale .....	B-12		600.00	600.00
Reserve for Surplus Trust Fund .....			585.37	
Street Deposits .....	B-14		100.00	
Sign Deposits .....	B-15		75.00	
			2,160.37	1,400.00
			\$ 286,760.43	\$ 322,796.69



# **COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET CAPITAL ACCOUNT**

## **ASSETS**

	Ref.	Balance Dec. 31, 1958	Balance Dec. 31, 1957
<b>General Capital:</b>			
Cash .....			
Accounts Receivable County of Essex .....	C-3	\$ 95,521.13	\$ 203,967.76
Accounts Receivable—State of New Jersey .....	C-4	5,527.80	20,000.00
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation—Bonded .....		1,038.29	1,038.29
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation—Not Bonded .....	C-5	5,108,000.00	5,530,000.00
		3,975,416.03	3,571,794.36
		<u>9,185,503.25</u>	<u>9,326,800.41</u>
<b>Emergency Housing Capital:</b>			
Cash .....			
Fixed Capital .....	C-3	5,779.12	5,779.12
Fixed Capital Authorized and Uncompleted .....	C-13	10,357.59	90,470.55
	C-14	12,841.82	12,841.82
		<u>28,978.53</u>	<u>109,091.49</u>
		<u>\$ 9,214,481.78</u>	<u>\$ 9,435,891.90</u>

# **COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET CAPITAL ACCOUNT (Continued)**

	Ref.	Balance Dec. 31, 1958	Balance Dec. 31, 1957
<b>LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS</b>			
<b>General Capital:</b>			
Serial Bonds—School .....	C-12	\$ 3,614,000.00	\$ 3,904,000.00
Serial Bonds—General .....	C-11	1,494,000.00	1,626,000.00
School Promissory Notes .....	C-10	1,745,000.00	145,000.00
Bond Anticipation Notes .....	C-9	110,000.00	
Improvement Authorizations:			
Permanently Funded .....	C-8	160,687.64	471,303.96
Not Permanently Funded .....	C-8	1,962,985.79	3,110,098.99
Capital Improvement Fund .....	C-6	41,180.45	50,435.76
Accounts Payable .....	C-2		110.14
Retained Percentage on Contracts .....	C-7	8,115.64	3,040.39
Reserve for Accounts Receivable .....		1,038.29	1,038.29
Capital Surplus .....	C-2	48,495.44	15,772.88
		<u>9,185,503.25</u>	<u>9,326,800.41</u>
<b>Emergency Housing Capital:</b>			
Improvement Authorizations:			
Permanently Funded .....	C-16	5,779.12	5,779.12
Reserve for Amortization .....		23,199.41	103,312.37
		<u>28,978.53</u>	<u>109,091.49</u>
		<u>\$ 9,214,481.78</u>	<u>\$ 9,435,891.90</u>

There were bonds and notes authorized but not issued on December 31, 1958—\$315,039.26 C-17

There were school bonds and promissory notes authorized but not issued on December 31, 1958—\$1,772,000.00 C-18



# **COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET** **WATER UTILITY ACCOUNT**

ASSETS	Ref.	Balance Dec. 31, 1958	Balance Dec. 31, 1957
Operating Section:			
Cash .....	D—6	\$ 640,361.31	\$ 367,110.01
Cash—Water Clerk's Change Fund .....	D—9	200.00	200.00
Investments .....	D—7	100,000.00	397,498.00
		<hr/> 740,561.31	<hr/> 764,808.01
Receivables and Inventory with Full Reserves:			
Consumer Accounts Receivable .....	D—10	47,058.84	48,689.91
Accounts Receivable .....			
Fire Hydrant Damage .....	D—11	310.71	310.71
Accounts Receivable .....			
House Service Connection .....	D—12	426.54	426.54
Inventory .....	D—13	42,036.75	33,249.59
Water Rents Receivable—Veterans' Housing .....		385.90	251.04
		<hr/> 90,218.74	<hr/> 82,927.79
Total of Operating Section .....		<hr/> 830,780.05	<hr/> 847,735.80
Capital Section:			
Cash .....	D—6	303,821.16	145,734.45
Investments .....	D—8		99,122.00
Fixed Capital .....	D—21	2,482,556.31	2,421,066.06
Fixed Capital Authorized and Uncompleted .....	D—22	284,750.00	329,316.00
		<hr/> 3,071,127.47	<hr/> 2,995,238.51
Total of Capital Section .....		<hr/> \$ 3,901,907.52	<hr/> \$ 3,842,974.31

## **COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET** **WATER UTILITY ACCOUNT—(Continued)**

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS	Ref.	Balance Dec. 31, 1958	Balance Dec. 31, 1957
Operating Section:			
Liabilities:		\$ 116,049.77	\$ 145,001.24
Appropriation Reserves .....	D—3		42,109.29
Accounts Payable .....	D—17	816.35	887.18
Accrued Interest on Bonds .....	D—14	44,749.58	44,749.58
Inventory Revolving Fund .....		30	45.56
Unallocated Receipts .....	D—16	1,400.00	1,200.00
Meter Deposits .....	D—18	140.00	140.00
Water Account Deposits .....	D—19	3,361.70	3,361.70
House Connection Deposits .....	D—20	61.23	42.64
Prepaid Water Rents .....	D—6	<hr/> 166,578.93	<hr/> 237,537.19
		<hr/> 90,218.74	<hr/> 82,927.79
		<hr/> 573,982.38	<hr/> 527,270.82
Reserve for Receivables and Inventory .....	D—1	<hr/> 830,780.05	<hr/> 847,735.80
Operating Surplus .....			
Total Operating Section .....			



**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**  
**WATER UTILITY ACCOUNT (Continued)**

Capital Section:			
Serial Bonds .....	D-27	461,000.00	501,000.00
Improvement Authorizations—Permanently Funded .....	D-25	26,378.60	30,005.07
Improvement Authorizations—Not Permanently Funded .....	D-25	23,544.34	23,544.34
Reserves for:			
Water Capital Outlay .....	D-23	273,276.71	215,200.96
Water Capital Improvement Fund .....		26,911.81	26,911.81
Replacements and Extensions .....		3,165.73	3,165.73
Retained Percentages on Contracts .....	D-24	2,821.72	1,614.34
Amortization .....	D-29	1,974,585.82	1,873,095.57
Deferred Amortization .....	D-26	273,000.00	317,566.00
Surplus .....	D-5	6,442.74	3,134.69
Total Capital Section .....		3,071,127.47	2,995,238.51
		<u>\$ 3,901,907.52</u>	<u>\$ 3,842,974.31</u>

There were bonds and notes authorized but not issued on December 31, 1958 of \$58,720.49

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**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**  
**PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT**

	Ref.	Balance Dec. 31, 1958	Balance Dec. 31, 1957
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash .....	E-1	\$ 59,634.88	\$ 69,675.75
<b>LIABILITIES AND RESERVES</b>			
Reserve to Pay Emergency Relief .....	E-1	\$ 59,634.88	\$ 69,675.75

**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET**  
**SPECIAL POOR ACCOUNT**

	Ref.	Balance Dec. 31, 1958	Balance Dec. 31, 1957
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash .....	F-1	\$ 394.99	\$ 394.99
Investments .....	F-2	3,000.00	3,000.00
Interest Receivable .....			75.00
		<u>\$ 3,394.99</u>	<u>\$ 3,469.99</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND RESERVES</b>			
Reserve for Special Poor Account .....	F-1-2	\$ 3,394.99	\$ 3,394.99
Interest Due Public Assistance Account .....	F-1		75.00
		<u>\$ 3,394.99</u>	<u>\$ 3,469.99</u>



**STATEMENT OF CASH RECONCILIATION  
PAYROLL ACCOUNT DECEMBER 31, 1958**

Balance on Deposit per Statement of	
National Newark and Essex Banking Co., Bloomfield, N. J. ....	\$ 31,783.53
Less: Outstanding Checks per Record—Verified .....	\$ 31,783.53

**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET  
BOND AND INTEREST ACCOUNT**

ASSETS	Ref.	Balance Dec. 31, 1958	Balance Dec. 31, 1957
Cash .....	H—1	\$ 58,950.00	\$ 17,693.75
LIABILITIES			
Interest Payable .....	H—2	\$ 40,950.00	\$ 4,693.75
Bonds Payable .....	H—3	18,000.00	13,000.00
		\$ 58,950.00	\$ 17,693.75